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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

The following remarks are made in response to the Office action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 1, 2003 (the "Office action"), for which the period set for response expires on October 1, 2003. Applicant believes that no extension-of-time or other fee is required for this Response to be entered and considered.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of all grounds of rejection, and passage of the case to allowance.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.